

**E. PALESTINE COUNCIL 8/13/18 7 PM 85 N. MARKET ST.**

Mayor Cohen called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Hall, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Todd, and Mr. Walker. Mr. Yokley was absent. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Law Director David Powers and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes of the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Hall, all in favor. The Department Reports for July were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Hall, all in favor. There were no Agenda Items, Clerks, Mayors, Managers or Law Directors Reports.

**STREET:** In reference to the water line repair that was done on Taggart St. Mr. Walker stated the Street Department is waiting for everything to settle before doing the final repairs on the street.

**SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEM:** Mr. Cohen stated there is a car cruise at the Park this weekend, it is the first it hasn't been on Market St. which should allow for more cars and also there will be food trucks and vendors. He also stated there was a major fire this past weekend on W. Main St., two firefighters were injured during the fire (both men are home and recovering). He said we owe them a great debt of thanks for everything they do and when you see them, please thank them. Mr. Walker stated the shelter renovation project is scheduled to begin Tue August 14. Mr. Cohen stated there has been an adjustment to the pool hours for 8/21 through 8/24. The pool will be open for adult swim from 11 to 12 and then open to the general public from 12 to 2 and 5 to 8 due to the pool being open a week later than usual and shortage of lifeguards.

**DEVELOPMENT:** Mr. Yokley was absent.

**UTILITY:** Mr. Todd stated the meter replacement project is concluding, there are four meters left to replace (these meters had plumbing issues). He stated the bid packages for the water upgrades are being prepared and we should have them any day and also that the final sewer project plans are almost complete and there is a meeting with MS Consultants on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also said he, the Manager and Finance Director attended a meeting last week with the USDA about funding for various projects, it's basically another resource for grants and loans.

**FINANCE: NO REPORT**

**VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION:** In reference to the legislation pertaining to auxiliary police officers resident John Martin asked how many auxiliary and full time officers we have and how many auxiliary officers the Chief wants. Chief Brown stated around 12 auxiliary and 5 full time officers (6 if you include the Chief) and per the national standards we should have around 9 full time. They are trying to do away with a specific number of officers so they have more flexibility. They are having much difficulty with scheduling. Discussion followed as to the department being understaffed ( we are below state and county levels), what was being proposed to increase the number of full time officers, past levies, the budget of the PD being cut dramatically and the proposed income tax increase that if passed would assist the PD in staffing.

**VISITORS:** John Simon, John & Dot Herbert, John Martin, Karen Gorby, Chief Jim Brown, Amy Moore, Officer Brian Moore, John Davis and Katie White.

**LEGISLATION:** Mr. Simpson introduced Ord. 10-2018 for a second reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance amending Section 242.05 of the Codified ordinances of the Municipality of Ohio.** Mr. Simpson introduced Res. 9-2018 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **A resolution authorizing the Village Manager to apply for , accept, and enter into a water supply revolving loan account (WRS�A) agreement on behalf of the Village of East Palestine Ohio for the construction of water facilities; and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan, and declaring an emergency.** Resident John Davis asked what the designated repayment source was and Mr. Simpson stated per the ordinance it would be the Water Fund. Mr. Simpson made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency seconded by Mr. Cohen. Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y,

Mr. Walker-y. Mr. Simpson called for a vote on Res. 9-2018. Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y. 5 yes to pass. Mr. Simpson introduced Res. 10-2018 in its entirety seconded by Mr. Cohen. **A resolution authorizing the Municipal manager to execute the notice of Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Agreement on behalf of the Village. Whereas the Municipality of East Palestine has obtained and utilized a grant for replacement of the tennis courts in the East Palestine Park and pursuant to the terms of the grant, certain restrictions exist concerning future disposition of the property. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Council of the Municipality of East Palestine Ohio that the Council of the Municipality of East Palestine hereby authorizes and directs the Village Manager on behalf of the Village of East Palestine Ohio to execute the Notice of Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and cause the same to be recorded in the Office of the Recorder, Columbiana County Ohio.** Mr. Simpson called for a vote on Res. 10-2018. Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Cohen-y. 5 yes to pass. Mr. Simpson introduced Res. 11-2018 and made a motion that it be read in its entirety seconded by Mr. Cohen. **A resolution authorizing the Fiscal manager to certify annual special assessments to the County Auditor and declaring an emergency. The municipality desires to authorize the Fiscal Manager to submit annual outstanding accounts and/or obligations for certification as special assessments to the County Auditor for recording. The Municipality here be authorizes the Municipal Fiscal Manager to submit annual outstanding accounts and/or obligations for certification as special assessments to the county auditor for annual recording in accordance with Ohio Revised Code and Municipal Ordinance. (A list of the annual special assessments is attached hereto and incorporated herewith as Exhibit A). That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure in order to file special assessments to the Columbiana County Auditor by a deadline of September 10, 2018. This emergency measure is necessary for the preservation of the health and safety of the residents of this Municipality.** Mr. Simpson made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency seconded by Mr. Cohen. Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y. Mr. Simpson called for a vote on Res. 11-2018. Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y. 5 yes to pass.

**ADJOURN:** Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Simpson, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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